

MINUTES of the ORDINARY MEETING of ST JUST-IN-PENWITH TOWN COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, 1 Chapel Street, St Just on Monday 19 March 2018 at 7.15 p.m.

PRESENT

Cllr Brian Clemens - Town Mayor
Cllr Marna Blundy – Deputy Town Mayor

COUNCILLORS

Zoe Baxter	Grenville Prowse
Jonathan Manser	Geoff Roberts
Constance Moore	Debbie Shephard
Farmer Morris	Bev Strick

LOCUM TOWN CLERK

Cas Leo

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Jessica Colliver

TC.255 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Sue James and Louise Paine.

TC.256 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Farmer Morris Planning PA18/01412 (Applicant) and Brian Clemens LMG (Relative)

TC.257 DISPENSATIONS

There were no dispensations granted.

TC.258 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on 5 March 2018 be approved as an accurate record signed by the Town Mayor.

TC.259 MATTERS ARISING

None

TC.260 Councillors sitting on outside body, Community Library

To consider not having councillors sit on this group, since they have no council

funding.

RESOLVED: That with immediate effect, no councillors will sit on this outside body.

TC.261 FINANCE

(a) Financial Assistance.

Penwith Community Radio Station CIC £500 Community Grant requested for studio IT Upgrade.

Application from St Just Parochial Church Council £3000 Community Grant requested for Church Graveyard and Higher Bosavern Cemetery Project.

RESOLVED: That the clerk will request additional information from both applicants and bring them back to the council at a future meeting.

(b) Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED: That the accounts to the value of £503.66 be approved for payment.

(Action by: Cas Leo)

(c) Letters of Thanks

None.

TC.262 PLANNING

(a) **Applications**

(b) **Decisions**

(c) **Enforcements**

TC.263 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Councillor Marna Blundy updated the Council on the current position of the Neighbourhood Planning process. The four groups have forged links between the various sub groups. The Steering Group would be meeting later this week. The funnelling of information was cited to be a known issue and would be reviewed. The large volume of contact/questions was being generated to Councillors sitting on The Natural Environment sub group, which needed to be addressed. Outreach work had begun with the school, leaflet work was started, the Facebook Platform page was being discussed. Up-dating material ready for N plan section on the Council website was in hand. The Community volunteers were working hard. Constance Moore, Jonathan Manser, Debbie Shephard and Zoe Baxter all agreed with the report given by Marna Blundy.

TC.264 CCTV Update

The Mayor and the Clerk visited Cornwall Fire, Rescue and Community Safety Service Headquarters, Tolvaddon, Camborne on 7 March 2018. Traci Parker Business Development Manager (CCTV & Grant Funding) gave a PowerPoint presentation before taking them to see live monitoring taking place.

The likely cost of the change of systems was outlined. The Council could bid into the Police and Crime Commissioner Fund to get up to 30-40% support of the total costs. Cameras likely to be about between £4-5k each. The new connects/links could cost £18K. Current Camera not re-useable. Annual monitoring about £1k per camera depending on what's requested. Annual contract per camera etc is about £500-600. A survey of the costings etc is currently free but this could change and could be charged for in the future. Bodmin has recently joined the partnership. St Just would be the smallest town in the partnership.

The PSCO had reported the current CCTV system had developed a fault, which needed to have an engineer look at the monitoring unit, with a view to have a replacement part to the CCTV monitoring system.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk calls out the Ellis Security Ltd to identify the problem and buy the service/part needed for the current operation.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk obtains a survey at no cost, to help inform the council of long term future costs of a new CCTV system based at Tolvaddon.

(Action by: Cas Leo)

TC.265 INFORMATION ITEMS AND MATTERS FOR REPORT

The Clerk mentioned that the next Council meeting is in Pendeen on Tuesday 3 April 2018.

Matters for Report

Bev Strick said she had followed up her CCTV contact, who said "if the AED had come through Ronnie Richards, the use of AED's would be easy to follow". The instructions are clear and simple to follow, although she would still like to go on the awareness training Marna had mentioned. It was also confirmed Posters were placed near the AED's and on the Council webpages.

Bev Strick mentioned she had attended a cemetery meeting in Pendeen and discussed the water testing and are now awaiting quotes.

There were now, two new members of The Centre of Pendeen.

Marna Blundy mentioned that Zoe Baxter had done very well on informing the school on the Neighbourhood Planning process and investigating the interest in a Youth Council.

Marna had attended an event in which the local MP had looked at tackling isolation and feeling alone.

This Friday an event was taking place to raise money for the homeless, Councillors were welcome to attend the event, a collection to be made at the end of the event.

The Mayor mentioned he attended and spoke at 2nd West Sub-Area Planning Committee, looking at two planning issues: 1. PA15/05214: Mr N McFadden - Access track to Leswidden Fuel Depot, St Just, TR19 7RU which was refused by the Committee.

2. PA17/05626: Mr N McFadden - Carnyorth Industrial Estate, Access Track to Carnyorth Amenity Site, Carnyorth, St Just, TR19 7QD; which is deferred until reports are received by the Committee.

He attended Penlee House Gallery as the guest of the Mayor and Mayoress of Penzance to see The David Haughton in St just Art Exhibition.

He attended the 'Peas for Bees' afternoon event at the Trythall School.

The Mayor mentioned that Pendeen Silver Band had gained 2nd position and promotion to the 3rd section. They had also qualified to attend the Nationals in Cheltenham.

Cormac had promised to drop off a key for Pendeen toilets at the Council Offices but it had not arrived yet.

TC.266 Exclusion of the Press and Public

If necessary, to consider passing the following resolution:

"RESOLVED - that under Section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, it is proposed that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the business specified in the following item(s)."

TC.267 The Local Maintenance Partnership (LMP) 2018/South West Coast Path (SWCP) – Maintenance Partnership 2018

The letters and information in relation to the above had been circulated by email before the meeting. The Council needed to approve entering the annual partnership for 2018/19. The Council discussed using its local knowledge in ensuring the work is done well.

The Council also considered suspending Standing Orders/Financial Regulations to ensure it secured the services of the existing contractor to repeat his work for a second year. Councillors discussed the merits of this action against the knowledge that the Council had previously struggled to attract tenders and that other local Parish Councils had also faced problems in attracting tenders from suitable contractors, mainly due to the strict LMP and SWCP contract terms and conditions and the funding available.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk was authorised to sign on behalf of the Council to accept the LMP and SWCP offers 2018/19.

RESOLVED: That suspension of Standing Orders/Financial Regulations be implemented for this item, to ensure it secured the services of the existing contractor without the need for going out to obtain three further quotes.

Meeting Closed at 8.14 p.m.

Town Mayor

